

NJ Chronological Election Guide Calendar

2006 Full Chronological Calendar

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January

January 4

10% Certification to the County Clerks and County Boards

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 44) (Within 30 days after completion of the canvas by the board of State Canvassers)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-1

January 16 - February 14

Nomination of County Board Members

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 44) (30 day period before February 15)

N.J.S.A. 19:6-18

February

February 15

Evening Registration Plan

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 44)

N.J.S.A. 19:31-2

March

March 1

Governor Commissions County Election Board Members

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 44)

N.J.S.A. 19:6-18

March 1

Notice by Chairperson of the State Committee in a Year when a Governor is to be Elected

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 44)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-1

March 1 - March 15

Organize: County Boards of Election

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 44)

N.J.S.A. 19:6-22 & 19:6-23

March 16

Nomination Petition Deadline

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 60)

N.J.S.A. 40:45-8, N.J.S.A. 40:45-10, N.J.S.A. 40:45-14

March 19 - April 17

Notice of Election

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 60)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-7

March 19

Publish Notice - Absentee Ballot Availability

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 60)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-7

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March 20

Filing Deadline for Objections to Petitions

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 60)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-10

March 22

Deadline to Amend Defective Petition

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 60) (No later than 48 days before an election)

N.J.S.A. 40:45-9

March 22

Deadline for Creating, Abolishing, Dividing or Consolidating an Election District

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 45) (75 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:4-15

March 25

Notice of Ballot Draw

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 60)

N.J.S.A. 40:45-12

March 25 - April 3

Publication of Candidates' Names

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 60) (Within 10 days after filing deadline)

N.J.S.A. 40:45-13

March 27

Ballot Draw

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 61)

N.J.S.A. 40:45-12

March 31

Unit of Representation - Election Districts

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 45)

N.J.S.A. 19:5-3

March 31

Mailing of Absentee Ballots

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 61) (As soon as practicable after this date)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-11

April

April 1

Appointment of District Boards

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 45) (On or before April 1st)

N.J.S.A. 19:6-3

April 1

Notice to Clerk by County Chairs

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 45) (On or before April 1st)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-1

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April 1

Certified List of Suggested Polling Places

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 45) (On or before April 1st)

N.J.S.A. 19:8-2

April 2 - April 15

Notice of Requirements to Vote in Primary Election; Publication

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 45) (Once during each of the 2 calendar weeks next preceding the week in which the 50th day next preceding the primary election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-45.1

April 7

Notice to County Clerks and County Boards of Election; Available Offices and Public Questions

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 45) (60 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-1

April 10

Petition Filing and Acceptance Deadline

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 46) (Before 4:00 p.m. of the 57th day before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-14

April 13

Amendment of Defective Petition for Primary Election Candidates

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 46) (3 days after filing deadline)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-20

April 16 - May 15

Notice of Primary Election

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 46) (30 days before the close of registration for the Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-7

April 16

Publish Notice - Military Service and Civilian Absentee Voters

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 46) (Prior to the 50th day before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-7

April 17

Objections to Nomination Petitions for Primary Election Candidates

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 46) (Within 4 days of filing deadline)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-10

April 17

Notice from County Clerk of Offices to be Filled

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 46) (No later than 50 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-5

April 17

Change of Party Affiliation Declaration Forms to be Filed

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 46) (50 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-45

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April 17

Notice of Officers to be Elected at General Election

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 47) (50 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-3

April 18

Voter Registration Deadline

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 61)

N.J.S.A. 19:31-6

April 19

County Clerk to Transmit Candidate Names to Election Law Enforcement Commission

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 47) (48 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-14

April 19

Filing Certificate to Fill Vacancy of a Party Candidate

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 47) (48 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-12

April 19

Certification by Attorney General

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 47) (48 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-21

April 19

Instruction of Election Officers

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 61) (Within 30 days of election)

N.J.S.A. 19:50-1

April 20

County Clerk Certifies Candidate Names to Municipal Clerks and to Election Law Enforcement Commission

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 47) (47 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-22

April 20

Determination of Petition Challenge for Primary Election Candidates

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 47) (40 days after the last day for filing nomination petitions)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-11

April 20

County & Municipal Clerk Drawing for Ballot Positions

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 48) (47 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-24

April 24

Recourse to Court by Candidate for Protection of Rights

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 48) (12 days after Petition filing deadline)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-12

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April 25

Filing of Appointments or Applications for Challengers

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 61) (2nd Tuesday preceding election)

N.J.S.A. 19:7-3

April 28

Mailing of Absentee Ballots

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 48)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-11

April 28

Deadline for Filing of Vacancy By Committee for Bracketed Candidates

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 61) (No less than 10 days before election)

N.J.S.A. 40:45-10.1

May

May 2

Absentee Ballot Applications by Mail

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 62) (Not less than 7 days prior to election)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-4, N.J.S.A. 19:57-6

May 3

Deadline for Mailing Sample Ballot

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 62) (12 noon on the Wednesday preceding the election)

N.J.S.A. 19:14-25

May 7

Instruction of Election Officers

State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 48) (Within 30 days of election)

N.J.S.A. 19:50-1

May 8

Deadline for Civilian Absentee Ballot Application in Person

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 62) (On any day up to 3:00 p.m. of the day before the election)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-4

May 8

Delivery of Ballot and Polling Place Supplies

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 62) (On the day preceding the election)

N.J.S.A. 19:14-35

May 9

Election Day

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 62)

N.J.S.A. 40:45-7, N.J.S.A. 40:45-16, N.J.S.A. 19:17-3

May 10

Canvass by Municipal Clerk

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 62)

N.J.S.A. 40:45-16

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May 15

Polling Places Certified

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 48) (No later than May 14th)

N.J.S.A. 19:8-4

May 15

Inaccessible Polling Places Certified - Report to Attorney General

(State & Federal Elections, pg. 48) (On or before May 15th)

N.J.S.A. 19:8-3.4

May 16

Evening Registration

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 48) (21 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:31-2

May 16

Last Day to Register to Vote for Upcoming Primary Election

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 49) (21 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:31-6

May 23

Organization Meeting of District Boards of Election

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 49) (Second Tuesday before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:6-10

May 23

Filing of Appointments or Applications for Challengers

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 49) (Second Tuesday before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:7-3

May 24

Recount Applications to Judge of Superior Court

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 62)

N.J.S.A. 19:53B-21

May 24

Paper Ballot Post Election Results

(Non-Partisan Municipal Elections, pg. 63) (Second Tuesday before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:7-3

May 28 - June 3

Notice of Primary Election Published

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 49) (Once during the calendar week before the week in which the Primary Election is held)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-7

May 30

Absentee Ballot Applications by Mail

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 49) (Not less than 7 days prior to election)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-4, N.J.S.A. 19:57-6

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May 30

County Boards Advertise Challenge and Complaint Procedures at Polling Places

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 49) (7 days before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-9

May 31

Sample Ballots, Prepared and Mailed

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 49) (Wednesday before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-34

June

June 2

Deadline for Application for Faxed Federal Ballot

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 50) (On or before the 4th day before the Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:59-4

June 5

County Boards Advertise Challenge and Complaint Procedures

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 50) (Day before Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-9

June 5

Deadline for Civilian Absentee Ballot Application in Person

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 50) (On any day up to 3:00 p.m. on the day before election)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-4

June 6

Primary Election Day

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 50) (Tuesday after first Monday in June)

N.J.S.A. 19:2-1, N.J.S.A. 19:23-40

June 6

Petition Filing Deadline for Independent Candidates for General Election

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 50) (Before 4:00 p.m. of the day of the holding of the Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-9

June 6

Deadline for Submission of Absentee Ballot to County Boards of Election

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 50) (No later than 8:00 p.m. on the day of the election)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-23

June 7- June 21

Locking Counter Compartment of Voting Machines Used in Primary Election

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 50) (15 days following election)

N.J.S.A. 19:52-6

June 12

Objections to Nomination Petitions for General Election Candidates

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 51) (No later than 4 days after filing deadline)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-10

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June 13

Write-in Nominations, Acceptance

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 51) (7 days after Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-16

June 13

Duplicate Nominations for Same Office

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 51) (7 days after Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:14-9

June 14

Municipal Clerk to Certify to County Clerk and County Board Names of County Committee Persons

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 51) (Within 8 days after Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-54

June 16

Canvass of Votes by County Clerks

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 51) (10 days after Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:23-55

June 16

Deadline for Filing of Election Contest Petition

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 51) (Up to 10 days after Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:29-3

June 16

Amendment of Defective Petition for Independent General Election Candidates

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 51) (On or before 10th day after petition filing deadline)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-13

June 16

Determination of Petition Challenge to Independent General Election Candidates

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 52) (On or before 10th day after filing deadline)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-11

June 21

Paper Ballot Post Election Results

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 52)

N.J.S.A. 19:53B-21

June 21

Recount Applications to Judge of Superior Court

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 52) (15 days after Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:28-1

June 21

Application for Recheck of Voting Machines

(State & Federal Elections - Primary Election, pg. 52) (Within 15 days after Primary Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:52-6

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July

July 1

Evening Registration Plan

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 52)

N.J.S.A. 19:31-2

July 1

Commencement of Term

(Non-Partisan Municipal Election, pg. 63)

N.J.S.A. 40:45-17

August

August 7

Proposed Amendments to the NJ Constitution - Public Questions - Publication

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 52) (Not less than 3 months prior to submission to the people)

NJ Constitution, Article IX, Par. 3

August 14

Attorney General, Statement to County Clerks of Nominations, Vacancies

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 52) (No later than 86 days before General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-22

August 14

County Clerk Drawing for Ballot Positions

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 53) (85 days before General Election at 3:00 p.m.)

N.J.S.A. 19:14-12

August 17

Paper Ballot Post Election Results

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 53) (15 calendar days (June 21) of an election or 3 days (August 17) after the certification of the election)

N.J.S.A. 19:53B-21

August 25

Public Questions Submitted by County and Municipal Governments to County Clerk

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 53) (74 days before the General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:37-1

August 29

Public Questions - Other than Proposed Amendments to the NJ Constitution-Final Action By Governor or Legislature

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 53) (Not less than 70 days following final action of the Governor or the Legislature)

NJ Constitution, Article II, Sec. 1, P. 2

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September

September 8

Deadline for Independent Candidate to Decline Nomination

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 53) (60 days before General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-16

September 8

Deadline for Submission of Public Question proposed by the Electorate and Adopted by Local or County Government to be Filed with County Clerk

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 53) (60 days before General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:37-1.1

September 14

Deadline for Filling of Vacancy for Independent Candidate

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 53) (Not later than 54 days before the General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-19

September 17 - October 16

Notice of Election

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 54) (30 days before the closing of registration books for the General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:12-7

September 18

Last Day Vacancy Can Occur for Primary Election Nominees

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 54) (51 days before General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-20

September 18

Publish Notice - Military Service Absentee and Civilian Absentee Voters

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 54) (50 days before General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-7

September 20

Deadline for Filling Primary Nominee Vacancy

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 54) (48 days before General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:13-20

September 25

Official Ballot Ready for Printer

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 54) (43 days before General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:14-1

September 29

Mailing of Absentee Ballots by County Clerks

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 54) (As soon as practicable after this date)

N.J.S.A. 19:57-11

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October

October 8

Instruction of Election Officers

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 54) (Within 30 days before each election)
N.J.S.A. 19:50-1

October 17

Evening Registration

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 55) (21 days before the General Election)
N.J.S.A. 19:31-2

October 17

Last Day to Register to Vote for the Upcoming General Election

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 55) (21 days before the General Election)
N.J.S.A. 19:31-6

October 23

Voter Registry Lists - Certification and Transmission

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 55) (15 days prior to the General Election)
N.J.S.A. 19:31-18

October 24

Filing of Appointments or Applications for Challengers

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 55) (Second Tuesday before General Election)
N.J.S.A. 19:7-3

October 27

Registered Voters, Certified Count

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 55) (At least 10 days before General Election)
N.J.S.A. 19:31-14.5

October 29 - November 4

Notice of General Election

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 55) (Once during the calendar week before the week in which the General Election is held)
N.J.S.A. 19:12-7

October 31

County Boards Advertise Challenge and Complaint Procedures at Polling Places

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 55) (7th day preceding general Election)
N.J.S.A. 19:12-9

October 31

Absentee Ballot Applications by Mail

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 56) (Not less than 7 days prior to election)
N.J.S.A. 19:57-4, N.J.S.A. 19:57-6

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November

November 1

Sample Ballots, Prepared and Mailed

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 56) (By 12 noon on the Wednesday before General Election)
N.J.S.A. 19:14-25

November 3

Deadline for Application for Faxed Overseas Federal Ballot

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 56) (On or before the 4th day preceding the election)
N.J.S.A. 19:59-4

November 6

Deadline for Civilian Absentee Ballot Application In Person

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 56) (On any day up to 3:00 p.m. of the day before the election)
N.J.S.A. 19:57-4

November 6

County Board Advertises Challenge and Complaint Procedures at Polling Places

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 56) (Day before General Election)
N.J.S.A. 19:12-9

November 7

General Election Day

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 56) (Tuesday next after first Monday in November)
N.J.S.A. 19:2-3, N.J.S.A. 19:15-2

November 7

Certified Statements of Election Results

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 56)
N.J.S.A. 19:17-3

November 7

Deadline for Submission of Absentee Ballot to County Boards of Election

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 57) (By 8:00 p.m. on the day of election)
N.J.S.A. 19:57-23

November 8 - November 22

Impoundment Period for Voting Machines Used in the General Election

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 57) (15 days following election)
N.J.S.A. 19:52-6

November 13

County Board of Canvassers

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 57) (Monday next after election day)
N.J.S.A. 19:19-1, N.J.S.A. 19:19-4, N.J.S.A. 19:19-6

November 22

Recount Applications to Judge of Superior Court

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 57) (Within 15 days after General Election)
N.J.S.A. 19:28-1

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November 22

Application for Recheck of Voting Machines

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 57) (Within 15 days after General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:52-6

November 22

Paper Ballot Post Election Results

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 57) (15 calendar days (November 22) of an election or 3 days (December 8) after the certification of the election)

N.J.S.A. 19:53B-21

December

December 5

Board of State Canvassers

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 57) (On or before the 28th day after General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:21-1

December 7

Deadline to File Election Contest Petition

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 58) (On or before the 30th day after General Election)

N.J.S.A. 19:29-3

December 8

Paper Ballot Post Election Results

(State & Federal Elections - General Election, pg. 58) (15 calendar days (November 22) of an election or 3 days (December 8) after the certification of the election)

N.J.S.A. 19:53B-21